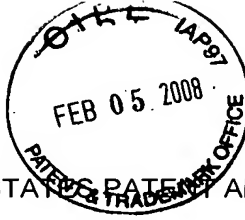


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Group Art Unit: 2877

Application No.: 10/779,864

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For: LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD, AND METHOD  
FOR DETERMINING Z-DISPLACEMENT

**COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Applicant confirms with appreciation the receipt of the Notice of Allowability for the above-identified application.

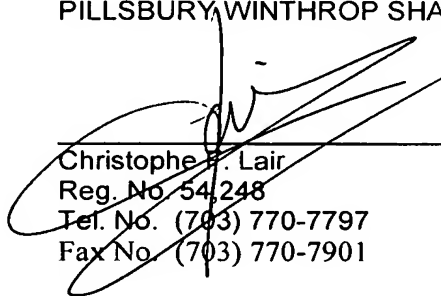
In reply to the Examiner's reasons for allowance in this application set forth in the Notice of Allowability dated December 10, 2007, Applicant respectfully submits that the subject matter of the allowed claims is patentable for their respective recitations of claimed features as a whole, without any particular criticality or distinguishing feature being attributable to any one or more of such features, and without any narrowing interpretation being imposed on any of such features. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that no one element or limitation in particular should be deemed to impart to or be required for patentability of the claims. Applicant also submits that the dependent claims are allowable for their dependence on the allowed independent claims and further for the additional subject matter recited in each of those dependent claims.

These comments are being filed concurrently with the Issue Fee. Please charge any fees, if any, associated with the submission of this paper to Deposit Account Number 033975 (Ref. No. 081468-0308328). The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any over payments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

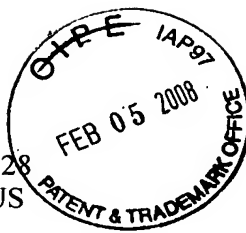
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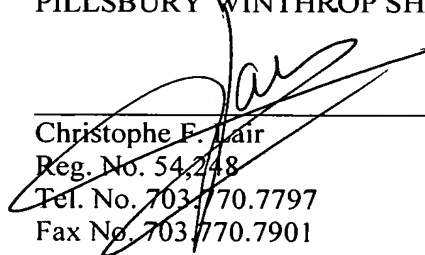
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In response to the Notice of Allowability mailed December 10, 2007, five (5) sheets of replacement drawings of Figures 1-8 are submitted herewith in compliance with the formalities requirement as issued on the above-referenced patent application. Each replaced drawing has been labelled "Replacement Sheet" in the page head as requested by the patent examiner.

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